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Applicants submit that this Amendment and Response is timely filed.

With this Amendment and Response, Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendment set forth herein and consideration of the remarks provided with this paper as provided in:

Amendments to the Specification that begin on page 3;

Amendments to the Claims that begin on page 5;

Remarks that begin on page 10; and

Conclusion that begins on page 19 of this paper.